TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1388 - SB 1191

February 25, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Terminates the Radiologic Imaging and Radiation Therapy Board of Examiners (Board) with no wind-down period. Authorizes the Division of Health-Related Boards (Division) to promulgate rules for the issuance of X-ray certifications, including minimum educational requirements and application fees. Prohibits a person from performing X-ray procedures in a physician's office without being licensed or certified by the Division.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The Board met on May 12, 2022, and unanimously voted to withdraw their pending rules which were set to be effective on June 6, 2022. The Board has not been able to issue licenses since that time.
- According to information provided by the DOH, board members have not received reimbursement from the Board since their rules were withdrawn; therefore, no estimated decrease in expenditures.
- The Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Osteopathic Examination are currently authorized to issue licenses to operators of X-ray equipment. It is assumed that current licensing requirements and fees will remain consistent.
- The Division can promulgate rules to implement the proposed legislation within existing personnel and resources; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Radiologic Imaging and Radiation Therapy Board of Examiners had a deficit of \$23,613 in FY20-21, a deficit of \$52,293 in FY21-22, and a cumulative reserve deficit of \$369,465 on June 30, 2022.
- The Division of Health-Related Boards had a surplus of \$2,931,602 in FY20-21, a surplus of \$2,687,730 in FY21-22, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$37,100,641 on June 30, 2022.
- According to information provided by the DOH, the Board's cumulative deficit will be absorbed by the reserve balance of the Division.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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